



March 16, 2016

3:00 pm- 5:00 pm

The Institute for the Study and Practice of Nonviolence: Multipurpose Room
265 Oxford St, Providence, RI 02905

Members Present: Julie A. Rawlings, Co-Chair; Taino Palermo, EDd, Co-Chair; Daniella Palermo, MD; Tanya Booker, MD; Reginald Tucker-Seeley, ScM; Annajane Yolken, MPH; Kavita Patel; Ulli K. Ryder, PhD; Raymond Watson; Herberito Gonzalez; Miriam Navarro (Azade Sarah Perin-Monterroso alternate); Kenya Fullen. Ex-Officio Members: Aleatha Dickerson, MS; Jim Vincent; Jessica Doyle (alternate for Kathryn Enright); Patricia Threats. Guests: Angela Ankoma, MSW/MPH; Perry Gast, MPH; Anisha Gill; Andrea Goldstein; Larry Warner, MPH.

Members unable to attend: Ex-Officio Members unable to attend: Steven Floria, MS; Bernie Frezza; Philip Less, PhD; Donna Murray; Jared Rhodes; Chelsea Siefert, MCP.

I. Call to Order:

Meeting called to order by Co-Chair Taino Palermo.

II. February 17, 2016, Meeting Minutes Approval

Meeting minutes were approved by Tanya Booker and second by Heriberto Gonzalez

III. Updates from Co-Chair

- During the Data Subcommittee meeting, the committee pointed out that the Commission was off track.
 - i. This caused Co-Chair, Taino Palermo, to establish Monthly/Bi-Monthly Co-Chair Subcommittee Chair Check-ins. Dr. Palermo wanted to make sure that co-chairs are meeting more often.
- Everyone as a member is on a subcommittee: Make sure that we have a structure and are equitable of the amount of work everyone on the Commission is doing.
- Follow-up letters to the Director: The Commission should provide updates to the Director via letters.
 - i. These letters can include any formal requests; there should be “asks”.
 - ii. Have a charge to have the man-power to do the cost of health disparities. As the Commission, it is important to be more direct with these asks.
 - iii. Reggie: Do we need to be specific or general? Angie: believes that we need to be more direct in asking. Also, if we need additional help this should be stated in the letters.



- New Commission candidates:
 - i. Ginette G. Ferszt (Data or Policy)
 - ii. Shontay Delalue (Community Engagement/Community Advocate)
 - iii. Cynthia Roberts (Data)
 - iv. Vanessa Volz (Policy)
 - v. Raymond N.
- Discuss Final Packaging as an Executive Order: The Commission want to focus our energy on this three-part package
 - i. Economic snapshot:
 - ii. Health In All Policies: want to have some common language. Look at potential health outcomes to look at
 - 1. Either we want to go broad vs deep. One topic is the cost of health disparities. Could this be extended to a second report.
 - 2. Multiple morbidity
 - 3. How do we link the second report to the SIM. CMS gave \$20 million to develop a population health plan. Tobacco, obesity
 - 4. Behavioral health and mental health are incorporate. Whole person care. Want to think about social services. How will the Commission's report align with the population health approach considers health disparities.
- Direction of Next Report
 - i. Data Subcommittee: Health Outcomes: Diabetes, behavioral health/mental health/substance abuse/ infant mortality.
 - ii. Policy Subcommittee: Health Outcomes: Diabetes, Heart diseases/ pregnancy.
 - iii. Community Engagement Subcommittee: Poverty, housing, and education.
 - iv. What are the barriers to being healthy?
 - v. We are going to choose what we can paint an economic picture with.
 - vi. Make the link for the Health and Social Determinants of Health. Want to paint an economic impact. Kavita mentioned linking the reports.
 - vii. Charge with the Policy Subcommittee is to follow up with the legislative.
 - 1. The policy subcommittee may need to have an in with the legislative
 - viii. Ray: Add the barriers to accessing to care.
 - ix. CMS: is there data on the cost. Have national data but not location
 - x. Need to differentiate between the cost of the healthcare system and health.
 - xi. Eric Hirst: Housing.



xii. Economic Impact: is the direction of the new report.

IV. Commission Updates

- Meeting Days and Times:
 - i. Full Commission Wednesday: 3:30 pm- 5:00 pm
 - ii. Kenya: Community Engagement
 - iii. Deborah Perry: Policy
 - iv. Azade: Community Engagement
 - v. Community Engagement: When2meet for new times.
- Subcommittee Member Responsibilities: Co-Chair
 - i. Subcommittee responsibilities please send out.
- Purpose of Full Commission Meetings: Will be updates on subcommittee stuff.
- Open Comments
 - i. Health Updates: Next month is OMH month in April.
 - ii. Calendar should be coming from end of March
 - iii. April 1st 5:00 pm-7:00 pm: Minority Event networking at the state house in the state-room. Dr. A-Scott will give a speech on the state of the minority health. Publically acknowledging the work of the Commission and CHAE. Kick off for the chair for CHEW. Institute for Health Equity and having a specialization. As a division for health equity and this will be announces on April 1st, publically.
 - iv. March 31st: Report to the Community: Send out flyer.
 - v. Breastfeeding conference
 - vi. TURNUPRI
 - vii. First international indigenous people cultural conference. Honor the pre-colonial. Saturday April 9th.
 - viii. Deb and Angie will be co-reporting this. Looking at the support structure that impacts the
 - ix. YWCA: Nicolson is currently being renovated and is going to become a STEM site.
 - x. Intersections of Health.
 - xi. Reggie wanted to continue to mention the topic from our last meeting: Convener, Educator, and Community Mobilizer. As a commission, we need to think about whether we are just conveners? What have we as a commission done to impact RI? How do we encourage commitment to these topics? Keep this conversation going at other meetings.
 - 1. Convener: brings the people together
 - 2. Educator: We disseminate information
 - 3. Mobilizer: how do we mobilize community members. How does the Commission work to mobilize?



xii. Please like the FB Page.

Upcoming meeting dates:

Meeting	Date/Time	Location
Community Engagement	April 5, 2016 Tuesday 10:00 am	Lifespan Community Health Services: 335R Prairie Avenue, Suite 2B Providence, RI 02905
Policy	April 13, 2016 Wednesday 9:00 am	RI-DOH: 3 Capitol Hill, Rm. TBD
Data	April 15, 2016 Friday 1:00 pm	RI-DOH: 3 Capitol Hill, Rm. TBD
Full Commission Meeting	April 20, 2016 Wednesday 3:30 pm -5:00 pm	Youth Build Providence: Tech Center 66 Chaffee St, Providence, RI 02909